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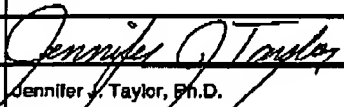
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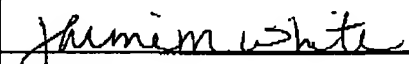
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In reply to the Office Action dated August 24, 2004, applicant amends and remarks  
as follows.